

FISCAL NOTE

SB 1791 - HB 1352

April 2, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes a public notice website, to be created, provided, operated, and maintained by a private entity, to be used as an alternative method of posting public notices for state and local governments, the legal community, and private citizens. Authorizes such private entity to charge fees not to exceed \$10 per public notice posting. Authorizes the Secretary of State (SOS) to promulgate rules and regulations. Requires the public entity responsible for providing such website to provide status reports to the SOS twice per year and to submit to quality reviews conducted by the SOS.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenues – Not Significant

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

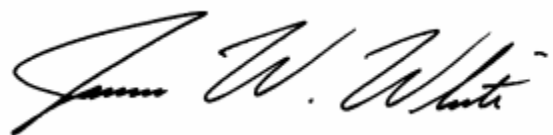
Increase Local Govt. Expenditures – Not Significant / Permissive

Assumptions:

- Such website shall be free to those accessing, searching, or using any website function.
- There will be an increase of administrative costs to the SOS for promulgating rules and regulations and for conducting quality reviews as required by the bill.
- Given this bill authorizes the SOS to promulgate rules and regulations, the SOS would be authorized to set application fees accordingly to recover any incremental administrative costs. As a result, there would be no additional cost to the state.
- Local governments will incur increased expenditures for the cost of posting necessary public notices (\$10 per posting). Such increased costs are considered not significant and permissive.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director

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